

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1 1. A method of video messaging comprising:
2 in a transmission station:
3 recording a video message in digital form;
4 transmitting the recorded video message to a
5 predetermined reception station;
6 in a reception station
7 storing a received video message in a nonvolatile
8 memory; and
9 at a time other than reception of the video
10 message, displaying the stored video message to a user.

1 2. The method of video messaging of claim 1, further
2 comprising:
3 in the transmission station:
4 encoding the digital form of the video message into
5 an encoded video message; and
6 wherein said step of transmitting transmits said
7 encoded video message;
8 in the reception station:
9 wherein said step of displaying the video message
10 includes decoding the encoded video message into a
11 decoded video message and displaying the decoded video
12 message.

1 3. The method of video messaging of claim 1, further
2 comprising:
3 in the transmission station:
4 generating a digital attachment file;

5 wherein said transmitting step includes attaching
6 the attachment file to the video message and transmitting
7 both the video message and the attachment file to the
8 reception station;

9 in the reception station:

10 wherein said storing step includes storing both the
11 video message and the attachment file;

12 at a time other than reception of the video
13 message, presenting the attachment file in a manner
14 perceivable by a user.

1 4. The method of video messaging of claim 3, wherein:
2 in the transmission station:

3 said attachment file consists of a word processing
4 document;

5 in the reception station:

6 said step of presenting the attachment file
7 includes running a word processing program compatible
8 with the word processing document.

1 5. The method of video messaging of claim 3, wherein:
2 in the transmission station:

3 said attachment file consists of a spreadsheet
4 document;

5 in the reception station:

6 said step of presenting the attachment file
7 includes running a spread sheet program compatible with
8 the spreadsheet document.

1 6. The method of video messaging of claim 3, wherein:
2 in the transmission station:

3 said attachment file consists of an audio file;
4 in the reception station:

5 said step of presenting the attachment file
6 includes generating an aurally perceivable indication of
7 the audio file.

1 7. The method of video messaging of claim 6, further
2 comprising:

3 in the transmission station:

4 encoding the audio file into a encoded audio file;
5 and

6 wherein said transmitting step transmits said
7 encoded audio file;

8 in the reception station:

9 wherein the step of generating an aurally
10 perceivable indication of the audio file includes
11 decoding the encoded audio file into a decoded audio file
12 and generating an aurally perceivable indication of the
13 decoded audio file.

1 8. The method of video messaging of claim 1, wherein:
2 in the reception station:

3 said step of displaying the stored video message
4 includes

5 generating a television signal modulated
6 according to a predetermined standard, and

7 receiving and displaying the television signal
8 employing a television receiver operating according
9 to the predetermined standard.

1 9. The method of video messaging of claim 1, further
2 comprising:
3 in the reception station:
4 at a time selected by a user other than reception
5 of the video message, archiving the video message by
6 generating a television signal modulated
7 according to a predetermined standard, and
8 receiving and recording the television signal
9 employing a video cassette recorder operating
10 according to the predetermined standard.